

NEW CHAPTER OF CAMPFIRE GIRLS FORMED

Only 20 Can Belong to One Group, But the Leader Will Help to Organize More.

MUST WORK FOR RANK
Ideals Are Health, Love and Work—Learn of Woodcraft, to Manage Home and to Sew.

Columbia now has two chapters of Campfire girls. The second chapter is composed of fifteen members and will be under the leadership of Mrs. Harold Newman, 403A Matthews street. In the opinion of Mrs. O. R. Johnson, who is in charge of the first group, several other chapters will be organized soon.

"As the membership of each group is limited to twenty," said Mrs. Johnson, "I believe Mrs. Newman's group will soon be filled. We started last winter with six and quickly reached the full number. If more girls want to organize, I am willing to help them find a leader."

Full ceremonies were observed at the Council Fire held at Mrs. Johnson's home recently to give the new members some knowledge of the work of the organization. Three candles, representing health, love and work were lighted. The girls sat in a circle as they sang their songs and acted their part in pantomime. Each tied ten square knots in rapid succession. Mrs. Johnson explained the seven points of campfire law and told something of the ideals the organization stands for.

Miss Esther Severance was elected president for the coming year and Miss Ruth Baker was chosen librarian. Among other things, it will be Miss Baker's duty to pass around the campfire magazine, Wohelo, a word meaning work, health and love.

"It's the romantic side of the work that appeals to the girls most," said Mrs. Johnson. "Sometimes we go out in the woods in the evening. It is pleasant these warm October days, and the girls enjoy it."

The organization of Campfire girls is a young one. Mrs. Gulick of New York City conceived the idea about eight years ago for the benefit of her own girls. There are three ranks for the members: to achieve and each girl is automatically pushed forward or dropped. Those who do not make the first rank in a year's time are deprived of their membership.

The number of points each girl makes is determined by symbolic colored beads. The red, white and blue ones stand for patriotic work, that is, a certain number of hours devoted to patriotic celebrations, Red Cross work, learning patriotic songs and the like. Yellow beads signify business, for which the girl must save a certain part of her allowance a month and earn a certain amount of money. Red ones signify health or the ability a girl has in swimming, skating, canoeing, hiking and rescuing. Purple stands for weaving a bead headband or making an Indian dress; green for creation, such as making hats and baskets, for sewing, or for brasswork; flame color for homecraft, which includes such duties as cleaning house once a week for a month; and brown for woodcraft.

This last is perhaps the most interesting and most difficult to gain, according to Mrs. Johnson. The girls must know the different kinds of wood fires, such as smoke and signal fires, on which side of a hill to build a fire, how to make an Indian bed with branches, brush and willows, how to erect a tent, pack a horse and know what kinds of woods make the desired kinds of fire.

To make the first rank the girl must win seven beads of a color. The second rank of "firemakers" is more difficult to achieve. She must have learned how to swim, to rescue a person in water, to bandage wounds and a variety of other things. When she has won fifteen beads of certain colors or ten of others more difficult to obtain, she is given her rank, of which a large bead of the same color is symbolic. The third and highest rank is that of torchbearer. This requires specialization in some particular line.

Miss Esther Severance is the only girl in the Columbia organizations who has gained this honor. She is especially proficient in millinery and brasswork. Miss Deborah McBaine, who no longer lives in Columbia, was the only other girl here who also attained the third rank. She took three small children and spent three months teaching them how to make Christmas presents.

"When a girl is 14, she is perfectly capable of taking over the work of the entire household after the two years of our training," said Mrs. Johnson. "Last year one girl's mother was gone for a month during which time the girl attended school and kept house alone."

The organization is entirely self-supporting.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

R. A. Speers went to McBaine yesterday on a hunting trip.

Miss Florine Fate left yesterday for Cass, Clay and Jackson counties to carry on boys' and girls' club work.

A. R. Keefe and Charles Krause, students in the University, went to St. Louis yesterday afternoon on a visit.

T. E. Sexauer, counselor for vocational students in the University, went to Centralia yesterday to visit the practice school there.

Sidney Hartman, a student in the School of Medicine, returned to school Tuesday after an absence of four weeks owing to an operation for appendicitis.

H. M. Garlock, cattle feeding expert, left yesterday for Troy, to confer with V. B. Sheldon, Lincoln County farm adviser, concerning a better bull campaign to be conducted there this winter.

Meredith Williams, a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, left for his home in Jefferson City yesterday. He has given up his school work on account of illness, but expects to return next term.

The Quadrangle Orchestra will give a serenade tonight to advertise "Hoop-La," the Elks' show. A large truck has been engaged to carry the serenaders over town.

H. M. Gurlock, an instructor in the animal husbandry department of the University, went to Troy yesterday on extension work for the "Better Sire Campaign," in the interests of the state.

The Freshman Commission held election of officers recently. The following were elected: President, Miss Mildred Mackintosh; vice-president, Miss Ethel Wakefield; secretary and treasurer, Miss Margaret Houston.

Mrs. M. Blumer returned to Webster Groves yesterday afternoon after a day's visit with her son Herbert, who is in the hospital with an injury received in the Drake-Missouri football game last Saturday.

L. A. Weaver of the animal husbandry department of the College of Agriculture is at his office once more. Mr. Weaver was bruised on the knee a few days ago when a tire on which he was working exploded.

Miss Grace Dulaney, assistant state boys' and girls' club leader, has returned from Cedar and Greene counties where she has been attending a teachers' institute and local club leaders meeting. Plans were made for a club program for the winter.

R. H. Emberson, head of boys' and girls' club work in Missouri, will talk on the plans for boys' and girls' clubs in Boone County at the next meeting of the Columbia Reading Circle November 6. The Columbia Reading Circle is an organization of teachers in and near Columbia which meets regularly to study professional books.

IS LITTLE SICKNESS NOW

A Few Students Have Had Light Cases of Influenza.

Sickness among the students of the University has been much less this year than at this time last year. Last year there was an epidemic of influenza in October and one in January. This year there have only been about twelve cases of influenza in the hospital. At all times it has been possible to take care of all students applying for admission. All cases of influenza this year have been in a very light form.

Governor Names Mrs. Robnett.

Mrs. D. A. Robnett has been appointed by Governor Frederick D. Gardner as a delegate to the Missouri State Conference for Social Welfare to be held in Sedalia November 14-16.

Merchants Say the Worst Part of Tax Paying Is Figuring It Up

How much did it tax you?

This is the slang way of asking how much a thing costs and is considered appropriate by many persons because the costs of almost every article is increased by the levy of some kind of tax. Liberty bonds and public property are about the only things exempt from taxation.

Everybody knows that a tax is an enforced contribution for the support of the government but few persons know how many different taxes there are. Considering that franchises, fees and licenses come under this broad definition of taxation and that city, county, state and nation must all receive funds enough for their support, it is not strange that there are so many kinds of taxes.

It is possible for one person to pay over thirty different taxes. If a man should sell half of his farm, buy a wedding outfit and an automobile, own a dog and get married he would have to pay thirteen kinds of taxes—at least.

Many of these taxes are indirect and therefore are not noticed but they must be paid nevertheless. There are several ways of classifying the many different taxes. Taking them just as most taxpayers meet them results in the following conglomeration: state revenue tax, state interest tax, state capital tax, county hospital tax, special road and bridge tax, county road and bridge tax, bonded indebtedness tax, school tax, federal income tax, state income tax, city property tax, vehicle license, dog license, hunting license, state automobile license, federal estate tax, state estate tax, tax on products of child labor, tax on all works of art, excise tax on wearing apparel, federal tax on billiard tables, state tax on billiard tables, county tax on billiard tables, city tax on billiard tables, proprietary stamp tax on drugs and toilet articles, documentary stamp tax on deeds and mortgages, tax on shows and entertainments, tax on club dues, tax on telegraph and telephone messages, tax on businesses and occupations, tax for permits to sell narcotics, corporation tax, state and federal franchise tax, customs tax, poll tax and many others.

While the number of taxes is bewildering there are other things about taxes more difficult to understand. Someone might wish to know, for instance, just why cut glass and imitation ivory ware are exempt from war taxes while everything else in a jewelry store is subject to this tax. Someone else might ask why the manufacturer pays the tax on chewing gum, cameras, sporting goods, films, candies, firearms, knives, electric fans, thermos bottles and smoking articles, while on most of the other articles it is paid by either the retailer or by the consumer.

The war tax has caused people more annoyance than any other tax. It has made the penny useful but more unpopular than ever before. On small articles no one minds the extra charges but some persons often wonder if the government ever gets enough out of the tax to pay for collecting it. On large orders the 10 per cent tax is very noticeable.

In regard to the cost of collecting war taxes most persons have been unfair in their statements that it is excessive. J. R. Jordan, local collector of internal revenue, says that while he was attending a meeting of internal revenue men at St. Louis about two months ago, a Mr. Rogers, supervisor of field forces at Washington, D. C., in reporting an investigation of the costs of collecting war taxes, made the statement that the actual cost was but fifty-five hundredths of 1 per cent.

One reason for the low cost of collecting this tax is that there are no collectors who call upon those subject to the tax. Instead of this method the government has adopted the more economical one of having each merchant send in his own taxes to a central office. This must be done once a month and in case of delinquency the offender is fined 25 per cent. This causes the merchant to keep books pretty closely and makes the war tax more annoying to him than to the customer.

Mr. Jordan said that if this tax were levied as a flat tax on gross sales instead of on separate articles it would simplify matters both for the merchants and the government.

Judging from the general sentiment among the merchants most of them are ready to have this tax simplified. They seem to think that while the tax was all right during the war, it is time now to make it less complicated. They do not care so much for the tax itself as for the figuring they have to do to find out how much they owe the government.

Chaplain J. D. Hockman Here.

Chaplain J. D. Hockman and Mrs. Hockman stopped over in Columbia last night on their way from Camp Grant, Ill., where he has been attending the Chaplains' School. Mr. Hockman and wife were on their way to Camp Funston, Kans., where he is assigned to the 5th Infantry.

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Matthew Latimer of Centralia went to Browns Station.

Miss Frances Palmer returned to her home in Centralia.

R. Ragould went to Meberly on business.

M. F. Nauser went to Centralia yesterday on business.

J. W. Hill went to Jefferson yesterday on business.

Mrs. R. H. Emberson is visiting friends at Fayette this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Yeager, who visited in Columbia over the week-end, returned to their home in Cainesville.

Mrs. M. Y. Rusk, who has been visiting in Columbia, left yesterday for her home in Brookfield, Mo.

Mrs. Emma David, who has been visiting Mrs. Josephine Rummel, returned to her home in Clever, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Palmer left yesterday for Clark for a few days' visit with friends.

Mrs. W. R. Shafer, of Columbia, left for Fulton yesterday for a week's visit with relatives.

Ben Mitchell returned to Hallsville yesterday afternoon after transacting business in Columbia.

C. E. Garey of the Garey & Frasier Real Estate Co., returned from Kansas City Monday.

J. W. Moorman and Miss Cora Moorman, who have been visiting in Columbia since Thursday, returned to their home in Marysville, Mo.

The Rev. L. M. Proctor of the Baptist Church of Independence, Mo., who has been visiting his father M. G. Proctor, returned to his home.

Miss Virginia Gauls of St. Charles, and Miss Blanche Gauls of St. Louis, went to St. Charles yesterday after a few days' visit with their sister, Mrs. Eugene Gauls, of Columbia.

C. E. Thurston and wife, who live one and one-half miles north of Columbia, will leave the first of the week for San Antonio, Tex., where Mrs. Thurston will enter a sanitarium. Mr. Thurston is employed in Rogers' grocery store.

Mrs. N. E. Howard left Sunday for St. Louis, where she will spend a few days. She will return to Columbia either Friday or Saturday.

Mrs. Nora E. Rowland of Washington, D. C., arrived in Columbia yesterday for a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. F. Whitesides.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Graves, who have been visiting their son, Ernest Graves, since Thursday, returned to their home in Lancaster, Mo., Monday.

Mrs. D. B. Powell, who has been visiting at the home of Will Powell, returned to her home in Hallsville Monday morning.

Miss Lois D. Miles left yesterday for Kansas City where she will visit her sister, Mrs. W. H. Heller. From there she will go to Denver, Colo., for a visit.

Mrs. Homer Woods left Monday for St. Louis where she has been called because of the illness of her father, J. B. Orcutt.

Mrs. F. K. Showalter returned to her home in Triplet, Mo., after visiting Mrs. Josephine Rummel, Mrs. C. E. Hatcher and Mrs. Ora Hamilton.

Mrs. A. W. Grigsby and her three children, who have been visiting Mrs. Grigsby's father-in-law, left Tuesday afternoon for Texas, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. T. J. Wheeler and her mother, Mrs. T. M. Barker of Jefferson City, returned to their home Tuesday. They have been visiting relatives in Boone County for several days.

Mrs. S. W. Selvey, who has been visiting Mrs. Granville Barnett of Third street, left Tuesday for Dewey, Okla., where she will visit her son, R. T. Selvey.

Mrs. A. W. Kampelmidt and Mrs. W. C. Curtis were admitted to the Parker Memorial hospital yesterday. Ben Putter, Ray Gerald and Lillian Rittenhalter were discharged today.

Mrs. T. J. Wheeler and her mother, Mrs. T. M. Barker of Jefferson City, left for their home today after a few days' visit with Mrs. Wheeler's sisters, Mrs. A. Gihler of Hallsville.

Mrs. C. A. Thomas and her niece, Miss Elizabeth Thomas, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Diel over Sunday, returned to Waverly, Mo., yesterday.

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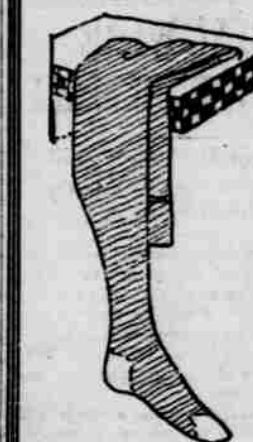
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